

Vacant Property Review Commission

Summary - April 16, 2014

Members present: Chip Crawford, Bill Johnston, Martina Ockerman, Karen Deprey, David O'Neill

Also in attendance: Derek Paulsen, David Barberie, Jonathan Hollinger, Melissa Murphy, Leah Boggs

The meeting was called to order at 10:06 AM.

Motion by Bill Johnston, seconded by Karen Deprey to approve the March summary. Approved Unanimously.

Hollinger introduced the revised list of properties.

The revised mission statement and goals were presented.

Motion by Bill Johnston, seconded by Martina Ockerman to approve the mission statement and goals.

Barberie discussed the commission's ability to deal with property. Some revisions to the mission statement and goals were suggested.

Motion by Karen Deprey, seconded by Bill Johnston to amend the motion to make the suggested changes to the mission statement and goals. Passed unanimously.

Amended motion passed unanimously.

The draft letter to property owners was discussed.

Barberie stated that legal language is not required at this point, as this is not a final determination.

The commission discussed who would get the letter. Discussion included sending the letter to any property that lacks water service and meets one other criteria.

Several revisions to the letter were suggested including adding a timeline for response, including a link to the website, and condensing the introductory language.

Law will also review the letter.

The commission requested that tax delinquency be added to the list.

The commission discussed properties that are vacant, but not blighted. The bank's role in this process was also discussed.

The commission discussed the letter the stakeholders.

It was suggested that neighborhoods, builders, real estate professionals, the apartment association, councilmembers police, fire, other government field employees, and utility companies receive the letter.

Several revisions to the letter were suggested.

The letters will be edited by Hollinger and emailed to the Commission.

The Commission discussed board ups briefly.

Motion to adjourn by Karen Deprey. Seconded by Bill Johnston. Passed Unanimously.